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TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 1893.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,185,000

BANKERS :
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

On FIXED DEPOSITS :—
For 12 Months 3 per cent.
" 6 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [192]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £1,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors :—
D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.
H. Stoterlöh, Esq. Chief Manager.

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches.—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS :—
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.

Parts Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ltd.).

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
" 6 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "

CURRENT ACCOUNTS 2 "

Hongkong, 24th May, 1893. [8]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
CAPITAL CALLED UP £2,51,093.15.0

BOARD OF DIRECTORS :
Wm. Kewick, Esq., Chairman.
Adolf von Andrit, Esq.
Egbert Iveson, Esq.
David McLean, Esq.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE :
The Hon. J. J. Rawlinson, The Hon. C. P. Chater.
H. Hopkinson, Esq.

Head Office—, Princes Street, London.
Branches—Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

Agencies—Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama.

RATES OF INTEREST.

ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained on application.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1893. [85]

INSURANCES.

THE STANDARD.
ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned :—

- (a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.
- (b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.
- (c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.
- (d)—The Surrender and Loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospects.

Full particulars on application.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [747]

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE Underwriters are prepared to accept FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCES on favourable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [415]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000. £83,333.33.
EQUAL TO £318,000.00
RESERVE FUND £318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. LIO YUE MOON, Esq.

LOU TSO SHUH, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, S. & G. PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1893. [854]

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of SEVEN PER CENT. per Share for the Six Months ending 30th June, 1893, DECLARED at Monday's Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting, will be PAYABLE at the Premises of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on and after TUESDAY, the 22nd August, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, No. 14, Priya Central.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st August, 1893. [193]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Hongkong, 21st August, 1893. [193]

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending 30th June last, at the rate of 1/2 ONE POUND STERLING per Share of £150, is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 21st instant, at the Offices of the CORPORATION, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 19th August, 1893. [194]

THE STEAMSHIP "OORYIA."

TAKE notice that I have received an authority, dated the 20th June, 1893, from the Board of Trade, London, authorising me to change the name of the Steamship "OORYIA," and that from this date the said Steamship will be called and known by the name of "KWONG HOI."

The Steamer leaves HONGKONG (Jardine's Wharf, West Point) for CANTON on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, at 6.30 P.M.; and leaves CANTON for HONGKONG on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at 5 P.M. The steamer has always Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

TSUEUNG SZ KAI.

Hongkong, 11th August, 1893. [193]

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORITY of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuff and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiority will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1893. [403]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,

SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

SOLE AGENTS FOR

HARTMANN'S RAHTHEN'S GENUINE COMPOSITION.

HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT.

DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES, &c.

EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK.

AT REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1893. [193]

THE MIKE COAL MINING COMPANY.

THE MIKE COAL is a BITUMINOUS COAL of dark reddish colour. For steam purposes it has been pronounced to be the best and the most economical of all the Japanese Coals.

Its export is increasing yearly, and the opinions expressed by several of the largest regular consumers are in testimony of the excellent qualities of this coal.

Attention is called to the following advantages to Ships' Owners and Captains, who coal their bunkers direct from the Undersigned :—

FRESHNESS of the coal.

UNIFORMITY of quality.

FREEDOM from impurities.

Supply in any quantity on short notice.

Quick despatch.

BEST of weight, etc., etc.

mitsui busan kaisha,

Sole Agents.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1893. [193]

D. R. KNORR & CO.'S LION BRAND ANTIPYRENE.

(Dose for Adults 15 to 35 GRAMS TROY.)

It is the most approved and most efficacious remedy—in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATIC, FEVER, TYPHUS, INFILTRATION, DENGUE, ERYsipelas, HOOPING COUGH, and many other complaints. It is the "very best Antiseptic." Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty. Ask for "Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRENE." Each Tin bears the Doctor's Signature "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

"DERMATOC" is the best Vulnerary; its effect in stimulating the closing up of Wounds, described as marvellous.

To be had at every reputable Chemist and Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China.

Beware of spurious imitations.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1893. [405]

CAPTAIN CH. ROBINSON,

COAL CONTRACTOR,

COMPRODORO AND STEVEDORE,

SHIP VISITING, MANILA, SUPPLIED

WITH PROVISIONS, DUNNAGE, &c.

WATER AND BALLAST BOATS.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1893. [193]

Intimations.

SHOOTING SEASON 1893!

FOWLING PIECES IN CASES WITH IMPLEMENTS.

MARTINI-HENRI MATCH RIFLES, WINCHESTER, CARBINES, COLTS'

"LIGHTNING" CARBINES, REVOLVERS.

ELEVEN CARTRIDGE CASES.—

METAL-COVERED, GREEN, BLUE AND BROWN.

CARTRIDGES LOADED with (EC) or "ALLIANCE" GUNPOWDER.

PIGOU, WILKS and LAWRENCE'S "ALLIANCE" SPORTING POWDER.

NEWCASTLE CHILLED SHOT.

WADS, CAPS, LOADING MACHINES, RE-CAPPERS, CARTRIDGE BELTS AND BAGS,

GUN CLEANERS, &c.

LANE-CRAWFORD & CO.

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Hongkong, 9th August, 1893.

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Intimations.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

AERATED WATERS.

WATER.—The Water used is absolutely pure.

STEAM PLANT.—Of the latest and most powerful type.

SUPERVISION.—The whole process of manufacture is under the continuous supervision of a qualified English Chemist.

THE PRODUCT.—Will bear comparison with the Waters made by the most noted makers in England.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO., LTD.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

This time to burn a letter that is in the slightest degree compromising is before it is posted.

An electric light installation for one of the principal buildings in Illoilo is nearly completed, according to the *Vox*.

"Why was Pharaoh's daughter like the solicitors of Melbourne?" Because she acquired a great profit from the rubes on the banks.

We note as we go to press that the tugs *Fish* and *Dragon* are making another attempt to tow the submerged steamer *Amigo* into shallow water.

Worth decks her with his matchless art,
In daintiest attire;
And Wagner's mighty brain and heart,
Her melody inspire.

It is reported that notes of the Bank of New South Wales, issued in 1824 for twenty Spanish dollars, have been presented in Sydney within the past three months for £5 each.

The latest Vanabing Act *artistis* in Hongkong was the sensational German cooie-tramp steamer *Tataros*. She "cleared out" at dead of night on Sunday, those connected with her, and her philanthropic mission, not caring to remain longer than they could help in British waters. And she was towed out, so as to avoid possible suspicion.

THE Bijou Variety Company, consisting of Mr. Canaris, professor of prestidigitation, and Miss Beaumont, professor of various other things, left Manila on the 12th instant for a second tour of the Philippines, where their first was a great triumph. After again returning to Manila they will once more visit Hongkong, and probably make their way to America.

THE charge of assault against Mr. Ritchie, a Portuguese subject, was heard in the Chibao Salbanbo at Kobe on the 12th inst. Accused, who was not present in Court, was found guilty by the Japanese Judges and sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour. This is the first subject of any European nation who has been tried and convicted in a Japanese Court.

We are extremely obliged to the pen-and-ink artiste who has so generously favoured us with the interesting and instructive sketch entitled "Cruelty to Animals and its Inevitable Results." It is quite a work of art, and if the Offiz Gote hadn't been specially chartered to run the mangle in the Daily Farm Co.'s saloon and is consequently doing useful work, this picture would certainly have been printed—with the artiste's license, and variations.

A NEW YORK despatch dated July 12th says that the Nicaragua Canal Construction Company is out of funds and has stopped all work upon the Nicaragua canal. For some time it has been rumoured that the company had been affected by the general stringency in the money market, and it has also become known that there have been some internal dissensions in the company. To-day the officers admitted that work on the canal had been stopped. They said that the failure to go ahead with the work was due simply and solely to failure to raise money. For the present their vast plant in Central America will remain idle.

COAST PORT ORDERS, whenever practicable, are despatched by first steamer leaving after receipt of order.

For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Packages and Empties when received in good condition.

Countership Order Books supplied free on application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is "DISPENSARY, HONGKONG." And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock:—

PURE AERATED WATER

SODA WATER
LEMONADE
POTASH WATER
SELTZER WATER
LITHIA WATER
SARSAPARILLA WATER
TONIC WATER
LEMON SQUASH
GINGER ALE
RASPBERRYADE
GINGERADE.

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Waters, as such Bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
51 The Hongkong Dispensary, Hongkong.

BIRTHS.

At Hannan Bungalow, Chefoo, on the 14th inst., the wife of ERKIN T. FLEM, Imperial Maritime Customs, of a son.

On the 15th August, at 4, North Szechuan Road, Shanghai, the wife of ANDREW MCKELVIE, of a daughter.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 1893.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

* Articles on the Hongkong Bank meeting, the Hongkong Hotel Commission, and the Morphine v. Opium question are, owing to pressure of small news, unavoidably held over. The time is not far distant when we shall be compelled to double the size of the present issue of the *Hongkong Telegraph*; our present space frequently prevents us from dealing with pressing matters of public interest so promptly as we could desire. Rome was not built in a day.

It is estimated that there are 62,000,000 horses in the world, 195,150,000 cattle and 434,500,000 sheep.

THE Manila papers announce the approaching appearance of a new daily, the *Standard* (Pabellon Espanol) in that port.

"HUMANITARIAN"—Yes, so far as we know to the contrary, the Offiz Gote belongs to the fair sex. But "Wilhelmina" can't fairly be held responsible for that. Send your alleged poetry to the *China Snail*, or, better still, transform it into something like prose and send it to the *Daily Post* as an editorial.

The *N. Y. Maritimes Register* states that the new Japanese commercial port of Konimatsu, 13 miles south of Aomorot, will be completed at the end of the year, and that the Pacific Mail boats will save 50 hours by its being opened. The *Kobe Herald* doesn't know where Konimatsu is, but thinks it may be in the neighbourhood of Hokkaido. Aomorot may possibly be intended for Aomorot.

Anxious Mother—"Why don't you drive that bad boy away from your playground?"

Good Little Boy—"I wouldn't be right."

"Wouldn't it?"

"No, ma": You see that playground is public property."

"Oh, no, it is."

"Yes, ma": and it would be selfish and dishonest to deprive any other boy of the right to go there."

"So it would, my angel. I didn't think of that."

"Yes, ma: and, besides, he can't see me."

Charley Fresh—"What do you take, Sir, the morning after a wine-supper?"

Old Soak—"Take? Why, take a drink, of course!"

The *N. Y. Mail and Express* says that the floating debt of the Chicago Exposition is \$2,000,000, a million greater than it was on June 1st, and there is fear of a financial crisis in its affairs.

WHAT kind of a libel action, queries a home contemporary, will Marie Loftus, the London singer, bring against an ignorant paper which, confounding her with Lydia Mantor, described her as the late Prince "Eddy's" mistress?

WE regret to learn from Shanghai that Mr. J. W. Jameson, once a well-known Hongkong resident, and for years past Manager of the Taku Tug and Lighter Co., has been compelled, owing to ill health, to take a trip home. Mr. Jameson left Shanghai by the *Empress of China* last Saturday.

The *Daily Press*, for some reason or other evidently wants to boom the stock of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Of course there is a chance that the "boomer" is some inspired individual at the back of our feeble-minded contemporary! Shares in London, according to this authority, are quoted at the equivalent of 108 per cent premium, whereas in Hongkong sellers at 8c (ex. div.) are as thick as mosquitoes. Very like a whale!

THE Cebu coal deposits are not being worked as successfully as was anticipated by the proprietor, Sr. Montanez. The road connecting the mines with the small port of Compostela is only half finished. Material for a tramway line has reached Manila, and stays there. The coal forwarded from Cebu so far has not turned out at all good, but hopes are entertained that deeper mining will produce a better quality. The present inferior stuff is already being sold for use on steamers at \$7 per ton.

WE are glad to see that the sympathy for Mr. C. H. Hutchings, which has been so finely expressed by sporting men throughout the Far East, has now taken a practical form. Subscription lists are being circulated amongst members of the various racing clubs with view of raising sufficient funds to provide Mr. Hutchings with a passage home to New York. It is also hoped that the sum collected will be sufficiently large to leave a balance which will help to dull the double-edged stings of misfortune and declining days that men of poor old "Hickory's" stamp feel so deeply.

THE Occasional Typograph, a trade journal for the printing craft issued by Hawks and Shattuck of San Francisco, sums up political economy regarding that newspaper world as follows:—

"An Editor works 365 days in a year to get out his paper in good shape and on time: That's Labour.

Once in a while some one pays for a year's subscription, or few copies, or an advertisement: That's Capital."

And often some son of a gun of a dead-beat takes the paper for several years, and vanishes without paying one cent for it, or even leaving a lock of it: That's Anarchy.

But later on Justice will reach the last named creature, for there is a place where he will get his deserts: That's Hell.

THE steamship voyage from New York to Southampton may be reduced to four days within ten years from now, says Mr. J. H. Biles, the designer of the famous steamer *Paris* and *New York*. Mr. Biles is one of the greatest English authorities on all questions of marine engineering and naval architecture, and his article in the current number of the *North American Review*, on the possibilities of speed in transatlantic travel, expresses the deliberate opinions of an expert. His estimated increase of speed, as stated, will be by the substitution of 30-knot for 20-knot ships, and he believes the increased speed may be attained by a combination of devices. His 30-knot ship would be 100 feet long, 100 feet beam, and 30 feet draft. He calculates that 2 knots per hour can be gained by the use of nickel steel instead of ordinary steel and by the substitution of light boilers now in use for the massive boilers now employed; that 34 knots can be gained by the use of oil in place of coal as fuel, and that 48 knots additional speed can be made up by improvements in dimensions, machinery and construction. Of course the only question is the construction of a ship of this kind, says the *Marine Journal*, is one of cost, and as marine capitalists do not build swift steamships just for the fun of the thing, they are not likely to make the same mistake again that was made with the *Great Eastern* in getting too far ahead of the times. Until the fitness of time arrives for retiring the *New York* and *Titanic* class of ships from active service, therefore, it is hardly probable that the expense of nickel steel steamships will be practically considered.

THE following is an extract from a private letter received in Shanghai the other day from South Formosa:—"By dint of unyielding pertinacity and such firmness as Mr. Consul Warren is so well capable of exerting, most thoroughly backed too by H.B.M.'s Minister, the Chinese have, at last, been compelled to pay up the full amount of damage done to, and such losses as could be proud to have been certainly entailed, or at least most probably suffered by, the owners of the steam launch *Zakow*, consequent on the outrage committed by the *U.S.A.* officials on the said launch in the early part of 1892. The sum thus paid over amounts to \$859,75, the owners having consented to waive claims for upwards of \$200 which they asserted were justified in hoping might have been earned from outside sources had the launch been able to run. This is being almost, if not quite, the first instance, for many years, of reparation obtained for *U.S.A.* irregularities so far satisfactory. The offending *U.S.A.* will remain idle."

This concluded the Sessions.

Max—Does Jones tell the truth?

Winks—Only unconsciously.

UNDATED date the 17th instant, Mr. R. E. Harris writes to our Shanghai morning contemporary:

"Whilst passing down outside the Saddles on the 20th May, I saw very heavy breakers to the landward of the Buren Islands. The sea was exceptionally heavy from the eastward at the time, but there was very little wind. In steaming past about four miles off, I measured several angles with my sextant between the breakers and the largest Buren Island, and located the danger at a position from S. by E. to S.E. of the larger Buren Island, and about one and a quarter miles off. There was no mistaking it at all, as the sea broke almost continuously upon it. I am of opinion that the danger is of small dimensions, but very serious.

FROM the *Sydney Bulletin*:—"The bill brought in by the McIlwraith Cabinet, authorising the Government to leave it £1,000,000 in the Queensland National Bank, was, as everybody knew, a bill to save the bank from destruction. It couldn't have found £1,000,000 in cash just now to save the board from being dropped into Gehenna. Therefore, every Q.N.B. shareholder was personally interested in the measure, and the vote of every one of them who has a seat in the Legislature is either null and void, or else the standing order which for odds any member voting on a question in which he has a pecuniary interest is an empty formality, and means nothing at all."

The *Advertiser* quotes the *Times* as follows:—"Lord Ripon absolutely right in the decision he arrived at on the question of the official members of the Hongkong Legislative Council voting for their own increased salaries against the Unofficial vote." We venture to think he was absolutely wrong both as regards the principle at stake and the precedent he quoted.

MR. LEONARD, ex-Consul-General for the United States in Shanghai, says in his latest official report:—"It may be safely asserted that the Chinese merchant will buy in that market which holds out to him the best profit. There is no question of prejudice for one country to the disadvantage of another. Tacoma has recently been connected with Shanghai, by a direct line of steamers. The advantages that should result to Tacoma therefrom are obvious. There are two classes of merchandise that China might import from the United States which are adaptable here, and goods made especially for the Chinese market. As far as I have been able to learn, very little, if any, of the goods as yet imported into China from the United States belong to the latter class. Manufacturers of cotton fabrics are content to offer their goods when the demand of the home market is slack, and they require an outlet for surplus stock; but as yet the United States have not attempted to manufacture cotton goods to meet the special features of the market here."

THE *Supreme Court*:

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before Chief Justice Fielding Clark.)

August 22nd.

TEA-CHEST TRADE-MARKS.

LI Tsui, merchant, of 75, Praya West, was registered trade-marks "Hang Mei" and "Yuen Son" as applied to tea. Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., instructed by Mr. C. Evans, appeared for the defendant, and Mr. E. Robinson, instructed by Mr. H. L. Denys, was for the defence.

The evidence showed that in defendant's shop on the 25th July last, Inspector Stanton seized 126 cases, each containing four boxes of tea worth about \$2 each, with a large number of paper labels bearing "chops" more or less resembling those of the plaintiff firm.

The jury, without hearing the whole of the defence, unanimously agreed that there was no case for the prosecution, and prisoner was accordingly discharged.

This concluded the Sessions.

MARINBURK, LIMITED.

HANCOCK'S LIQUIDATION.

Mr. W. St. J. Hancock, C.E., F.R.I.B.A., F.S.I., Liquidator of the defunct Marinburk Furniture Co., Ltd., has circulated the subjoined statement of account, which he modestly designates a "Statement of Accounts." It would have appeared in last night's *Telegraph* had space been available. We give it in all its nakedness now. Whatever other qualifications this person—we are referring to Hancock, C.E., etc.—may happen to possess as a representative of public interests, he must certainly be congratulated on being the owner of the most cast-iron cheek this colony has yet developed. We don't know who the Auditor of the Marinburk Co. may be, but, whatever he is, he must smile softly to himself when he carefully analyzes what Hancock, F.R.I.B.A., is apparently green enough to imagine is a complete and satisfactory statement of his liquidation proceedings. A goodly number of statements of account have passed through our hands during the past quarter of a century, but with one exception, nothing quite so crude and barefaced and qualitatively innocent as this one, and the one exception was the statement of the late Marine Hotel, Ltd., concocted by the same accomplished artist. The shareholders of Marinburk, Ltd., can fight their own battle, and so far as we are concerned, they may fight in the fashion most agreeable to themselves, but in reply to several inquiries, we do not mind stating that we are a shareholder in the Company. Mr. Hancock's liquidation would be under the supervision of the Supreme Court within a very few days, and a correct account of his stewardship made a matter of necessity, not of choice. Any fair and intelligent criticism of Mr. Hancock's accounts will, if properly authenticated, find space in our columns. Here is what we can only regard as his defiance to the shareholders on whose funds he has been having a good time for many months past:—

On the 7th ultimo I convened a meeting of the shareholders of this Company to receive a report and statement of accounts from me as Liquidator of this Company; this meeting was adjourned for a fortnight to enable me to submit further accounts, etc., but owing to unavoidable circumstances I was unable to meet you within the fortnight, but convened the adjourned meeting for yesterday, the 18th instant. At this meeting only the following shareholders were present, Messrs. Taylor, Grant, Rapp, Hohake, and Marinburk, and this not constituting a quorum, the meeting was not competent to deal with the affairs of the Company.

I now have the pleasure to submit to you the statement of accounts showing the affairs of the Company to the 30th June last, the statement of the 7th July being carried on to the 6th Idem.

With regard to the statement of the 7th July, one item "Directors' Fees" (for 1892-93) was inadvertently set down at \$20:00: it should be as it now appears, \$1,000. I also have to point out that owing to a clerical error the Profit and Loss Account of 7th July does not show accurately the loss on sale of furniture, which is now correctly shown in the accounts herewith.

By a perusal of my report published in the press of the 8th ultmo, you will see that the main points for joint consideration were:—

(1) What steps should be taken in regard to my claim against Mr. Marinburk for short stock? (2) Should I pay Mr. Marinburk for 6½ days' work in checking the stock? (3) What steps should be taken as to the disposal of stock in hand?

Comment has been made by some of the shareholders as to the length of time the liquidation has taken, to which I must point out that only recently withdrawn himself from public gaze. Henry, with his enterprising little wife, well known in the literary world as Miss Muriel Dowie, authoress of a school-girl's book of adventures entitled "The Girl in the Carpathians," has been rustling in a charming retreat at Barnes, the said retreat having probably been paid for with the money obtained by the speculative Anglo-Yankee journalist from the trusting innocents of Hongkong and elsewhere who believed in his specious yarns. The *Hongkong Telegraph* was never taken in by the versatile Mr. Norman—excepting once and that was at a game of poker, and that was at an unashamed tour round the world which he obtained by pure check-and-board and lodging ashore gratis by pure check-and-board on the strength of representations which were not always reliable, the principal supporters of the gold mining swindle in Siam were warned time and again of what was inevitable. They knew better now and Mr. Norman, after using

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—\$5 per cent., prem., ex. div., sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £8.10, paid up,—60 per cent. div., buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$130 per share, sellers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—50 cents, buyers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$20, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—\$1 per cent., premium, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—2 per cent., premium, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—14 per cent., premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$62 per share, buyers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$491 per share, sellers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 110 per share, sales and buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$112 per share, sellers.
Yangtze Insurance Association—\$62 sellers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$210 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$83 per share, sellers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$16 per share, sellers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$35 per share, buyers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—50 per cent. discount, sellers.
Douglas Steamship Company—\$35 per share, sellers.
The Steam Launch Co., Limited—\$20 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—65 per cent., premium, buyers.
Geo. Fawcett & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$17 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.
The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
The Shamen Hotel Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
Puijion Mining Co.—\$4 per share, sales and sellers.
The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$4 per share, buyers.
The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—40 cents per share, sellers.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$65 per share, sellers.
The Jebou Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$3 per share, sales and buyers.
London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—nil.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$160 per share, old shares, buyers.
Lunon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$34 per share, sellers.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$10 per share, buyers.
Dakin, Crickshank & Co., Limited—\$11 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sellers.
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$6 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$1 per share, buyers.
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$20 per share, sellers.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$8 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$35 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$85 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Gas Company—\$110 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$66 per share, ex. div., sellers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$65 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$3 per share, sellers.
The Green Island Cement Co.—50 cents, buyers.
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$3 per share, sales and sellers.
The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$1 per share, nominal.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$67 per share, sellers.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON—Bank, T. T. 2/5
Bank Bills, on demand 2/5
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/5
Credits at 4 months' sight 2/5
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/5
ON PARIS—
Bank Bills, on demand 3.12
Credits, at 4 months' sight 3.19
ON INDIA—
T. T. 19/2
On Demand 19/2
ON SHANGHAI—
Bank, T. T. 7/21
Private, 30 days' sight 7/21

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Mr. P. Deacon. Mr. W. Ramsay.
Mrs. Dickie and child. Mr. H. W. Robertson.
Mr. V. East. Mr. C. Seymour.
Mrs. and Mrs. Grimble. Mr. Sparrow.
Mr. E. J. Hageo. Mr. E. Tomlin.
Mr. Thos. Howard. Mr. Geo. L. Tomlin.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.
The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Melbourne*, with the outward French mail, left Saigon on the 20th instant, and may be expected here to-morrow.
THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Oceanus*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco, left Yokohama on the 22nd instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on the 27th.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, on the 10th instant.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of New York*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, on the 10th instant.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of India* left Vancouver on the 8th instant for Yokohama, Shanghai and Hongkong.

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The Navigazione Generale Italiana steamer *Bornida*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 21st instant, and may be expected here on the 27th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Formosa*, from London, left Bombay on the 16th instant, and may be expected here on the 21st proximo.

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